

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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## School Stream App

We hope parents and other family members are downloading the new School Stream app we mentioned in last week's newsletter. So far we have 43 users and **we would like to see this number increase very soon as this app will become one of our main methods of communication.** Currently it is available for updating contact details of students and absentee notifications.

The School Stream has an important update scheduled for this week on the Apple and Google Play Store.

Please check that you update the app when it's released. You can even set your phone's app updates to automatic. Here are the instructions for the Apple App Store (<https://goo.gl/mvC9as>) and the Google Play Store (<https://goo.gl/XCgkL1>).

**To get the most out of the app features we do recommend creating an account so you can easily manage the content the school sends through.**

To create an account go to the side menu via the top-left corner and click on "Log-in". This is a quick and easy process that will require your first and last name, and a mobile number, email, or Facebook account authorisation.

Once you have created your account, you will be able to access all of the new app features which will be highlighted in the welcome video.

**Installing School Stream App information – please refer to the previous email sent on 3 August 2018.**



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Dear Parents  
*Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me to whanau.*

## ROKOKAURI SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Our positive environment will actively engage us all in learning.

## ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VISION

Together We Grow

- Unity (Kotahitanga)
- Inclusive (Manaakitanga)
- Guardianship (Kaitiakitanga)

Together We Learn

- Innovative (Auahatanga)
- Happy (Uruhau)
- Responsible (Tuutika)

## ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES

Persistence

Resilience

Integrity

Diversity

Excellence

### WELCOME

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri.  
Welcome to Esme Gyde to Room 1. She joins her older siblings at Rotokauri School.  
We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.  
Ngaa mihi nui.

## PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

When we start a new term often the whiteboard in the staffroom has many blank spaces but this very rapidly changes as lots of educational opportunities arise. This week we have the nationwide teacher's strike action, thank you to all the parents that have sent along messages of support to the teachers for their efforts in educating your children. Coming up tomorrow we have the Rippa Rugby tournament for Year 5 – 8 students and the junior school are visiting Mystery Creek as part of their topic focus. These events only happen because parents/caregivers make themselves available to transport students and provide support to the teachers with supervision.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms Sarah Dyer to the staff at Rotokauri School for the remainder of the year. We are fortunate that the Board of Trustees have been able to fund an extra teacher aide for the school and therefore Mrs O'Brien will be working in Room 1, while Mrs Rae and Ms Dyer support the other classroom teachers. We are very grateful for this and know that the students will benefit from the extra support they are receiving. Last week the staff celebrated Support Staff Day by

providing morning tea and gifts to Mr Hans Verberne (caretaker), Mrs Sharon Verstraten (office administrator), Mrs Raewyn O'Brien, Mrs Toni Rae and Ms Sarah Dyer for all their contributions to the school.

Thank you to the families that have let the school know that they are entering animals at our Agricultural Day on 17<sup>th</sup> October. I am aware that some students have their animals already and have begun to care for and train them. Well done for taking on this commitment and good luck with this fun opportunity. If there are other families that would like to participate but do not have contacts for getting a calf, lamb or goat please speak to Sharon and she has information available to help you. Tomorrow I will be travelling to Mangatangi to pick up 67 one day old chickens for the students that ordered these!!!

At last Friday's celebration assembly we said our goodbyes to Rachel from Atmosphere. Rachel is well-known and loved by students, staff and parents of Rotokauri School and she is leaving to move to Perth, Australia. We wish her all the best in this new venture and we welcome Melissa back to Atmosphere.

Enjoy the spring weather that is upon us.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

## **Whakatauki**

***He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai***

**If kindness is sown, then kindness  
you shall receive.**

Our Peer Mediators are always on the lookout for students showing Kindness to others and when they are spotted are given a Values Award.



## NEWS

Email: [pta@rotokauri.school.n](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.n)

### **CAR SHOW & GALA 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018**

We are seeking sponsorship for this year's Car Show & Gala. We have a few options available and are seeking assistance from businesses in the way of a monetary donation.

Your donation will be used to purchase items for the Car Show & Gala. Here are some options we are looking for sponsorship for:

Scratchie Kiwi Raffle	Cost \$100	Grocery Raffle	Cost \$150
Child's Bike & Helmet	Cost \$180	Sausage Sizzle	Cost (to come)
Nacho's Food Stall	Cost (to come)	Lollypop Tree Game	Cost \$100

Donations of \$50 & \$100 are most welcome or you can sponsor one of the above and have your business logo attached to this item or stall.

We also have a main sponsor's option for the Car Show if anyone is interested.

If you are interested and can help please email us at [pta@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.nz) and we can give you some more details.

### **PTA PURCHASES TO DATE**

So far this year the PTA funds have been used to purchase and pay for the following:

**Class Donations**  
**Elgregoe's Magic Show**  
**BBQ Tables x 4**  
**Mobile Sound System**  
**Junior Netball Skirts**  
**Vis Tab Sign in System**  
**Jump Jam**  
**Maths Numicon Sets**

### **PTA MEETING**

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 18  
6.30pm in Staffroom  
All Welcome

### **Books Wanted**

For Book Fair, drop off box in the MPR. Thank You

### **Fundraising for 2018**

Car Show & Gala (November)

## GENERAL MATTERS

### **Junior Football Tournament**

The Junior Football Tournament is for our Year 1 – 4 students.

**When:** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August

**Where:** Bremworth Park

**Time:** 9:00 am - 2:00pm

**Grades:** Year 1-2 teams Year 3-4 teams

Students will be bused to this event. There will be food to purchase, all proceeds will go towards our Senior School Camp.



### **Gymsports School Festival**

The Gymsports Schools Festival is for our Year 2 – 6 students.

**When:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August

**Where:** Hamilton City Gym on Mainstreet St, Te Rapa.

We will also require parents to help with transport to the competition. Please return all forms to the School Office by the requested date – late notices will not be processed.

### **4 Schools Winter Sports Tournament**

The 4 Schools Winter Sports Tournament is for our Year 3 – 8 students. It is a festival of football, rugby and netball. Please encourage your child to give this event a go.

**When:** Friday 14<sup>th</sup> of September.

**Where:** Football is held at Te Kowhai, Rugby is held at Whatawhata and Netball is held at Minogue Park.

We will require parents to help with transport, managing the teams, and umpiring the games. We will also require parents to help with transport to the competition.

There will be meetings held very soon to organise the teams. For those students who are interested, more information will be sent home with them.

### **Agricultural Day Entry Form**

Entry forms were sent out via email and are available on our website

[www.rotokauri.school.nz](http://www.rotokauri.school.nz) under newsletter and newsletter attachments and notices.

**The last day for entry forms to be returned to the school office is Friday, 21 September. Sorry, no late entries will be accepted.**

### **Trophy Return**

Could all Agricultural Day trophies be returned to the school office please so that they are ready for this year's events.

## **Agricultural Day Helpers Needed**

To make this day run smoothly we are totally reliant on volunteers. Below are jobs we need help with. If you can spare a few hours of your time it would be really appreciated. Please see Sharon in the school office if you can help.

- **Goat and lamb stewards 1 x each section** - to assist the judge by organising the children with their animals, writing down the judges results and tying ribbons on the animals.
- **Flower Show Scribes x 1** – to assist the judges by writing the certificates once judging is complete

## **REMINDERS**

### **Daffodil Day – 30 August**

Every year Rotokauri School supports the Cancer Society's Daffodil Day. It is something very close to the staff and past/present student's hearts as we have been directly affected by cancer with the passing of two of our staff members – Mrs Gaylene Morgan and Mrs Clara Lange. We will be fundraising for Daffodil Day on 30 August due to a clash of days with our team photographs. We will have a Yellow themed day – students can come to school dressed in yellow and bring a gold coin donation.

### **Team / Group Photographs – 31 August**

Team Photographs will be taken on Friday, 31 August. Photo order forms came home last week. If your child did not bring one home but has been in a group or team since August 2017 please contact the office. Team Coaches and managers are welcome to come along to school and be in the photo. For an idea of the timetable on the day, please contact Sharon closer to the day.

## CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

### Assembly Awards

#### Week 2

Room 1	Mya Hoebergen - For your persistence in all activities and your willingness to help others.
Room 1	Aniket Raju - For concentrating well on all your tasks, organising yourself to finish all your work.
Room 2	Nate Turney - Persistence in sketching from observation. Great attention to detail.
Room 2	Bella Gyde - Persistence in sketching from observation. Great attention to detail.
Room 3	Ernie Young - For being a kind and thoughtful class member.
Room 3	Maddix Anniss - For showing great self-management skills and being engaged in your learning.
Room 4	Hannah Jones - For making more effort to sound out unknown words during reading.
Room 4	Riley Boswell - For showing leadership skills when helping out his classmates.
Room 5	Zephyr Rhind - For excellence in all that you do, including being our tidiest class librarian ever!
Room 5	Cole Turney - For excellence through the use of adjectives and use of imagery in his holiday recount.
Room 6	Savannah Smith - For always being a ray of sunshine in our class - your bubbly personality and positive energy is an awesome presence in Room 6 Savvy, thanks for being you!
Room 6	Angus Elliott - For showing excellent progress within his reading skills - keep up the great effort Angus.
Room 7	Karenza Curtis - Excellence - working hard on her speech this week.
Room 7	Koen McCurdy - Integrity - helping out and making good choices.
Room 8	Connor Williams-Thomas - Showing integrity. You are always kind, considerate, and thoughtful toward others - something to be really proud of!
Room 8	Cole Viljoen-Thomson - Achieving excellence - You aim for and achieve personal excellence in all areas of school life. Great effort Cole!

#### Week 3

Room 1	Nicky-Rose Hoebe - Great improvement in concentration on your work Nicky-Rose. You can be very proud of yourself.
Room 1	Zachery Williams - Making sensible decisions so that you can get your work done.
Room 1	Jesse McDonagh - For showing great courage when you were walking along the beam.
Room 2	Luca Haldane - For demonstrating excellence and persistence in art.
Room 2	Rhys Jorgensen - For showing improvement in his independent writing. Keep it up.
Room 3	Ellie Fairclough - For showing great self-management skills and being engaged in your learning.
Room 3	Ryan Keightley – Being engaged in his learning and making pleasing progress.
Room 4	Cooper Hobbs - A wonderful effort with learning to tell the time.
Room 4	Elijah Esselbrugge - Great concentration and creativity during writing.
Room 5	Anya Fuller - For working with great concentration and being driven in her desire to improve her maths.
Room 5	Adam Towl - For showing great creativity and persistence when making his Wearable Art Steampunk hat.
Room 6	Isla Kahaki - For showing the value of diversity by always including and being accepting of everyone.
Room 6	Seth Westgate - For showing the values of persistence and excellence during our class gymnastics lessons.
Room 7	Euan Aitchison - Persistence - consistently maintaining a high standard of effort and work.
Room 7	Rylee Barber-Smith - Persistence - consistently maintaining a high standard of effort and work.
Room 8	Cooper Miller – For contributing thoughtful ideas in discussions.
Room 8	Amos Robinson – For demonstrating strength and balance in gymnastics.

## **Maths Whizz Results**

### **Week 2**

#### **Progression Placings:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Jayden Ward
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Corey Molloy
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Rhys Jorgensen

#### **Classroom Placings:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 8
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 2

### **Week 3**

#### **Progression Placings:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Bridgette Donny
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Corey Molloy
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Brianna Donny

#### **Classroom Placings:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 8
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 2

## **Principal Awards**

The following students have been spotted by Miss Smith demonstrating the Rotokauri values –

Amos Robinson – demonstrating leadership skills by modelling to younger students appropriate behaviour when dealing with conflict.

Finley O'Rourke – consistently 'stepping up' to help without being asked.

Congratulations to the following students that were recognized by their teachers as having demonstrated our school values and were rewarded with free Circus tickets –

Room 1 - Kade Calnan

Room 2 - Nate Turney

Room 3 - Reece Calnan

Room 4 - Reed Kahaki

Room 5 - Imogen Jennings

Room 6 - Hannah Hobbs

Room 7 - Kiedis Vallett

Room 8 - Connor Williams-Thomas

## **Class Sharing**

### **Room 2's Art**

This Term Room 2 has worked hard to improve their drawing from observation. We have learnt to sketch from real life using sketching pencils. We also used watercolour to add a wash of colour to our art. The subject was Mr Hans' old school satchel.



Cavalier Kingi



Aja Jessop





Chloe Gyde



Luca Haldane

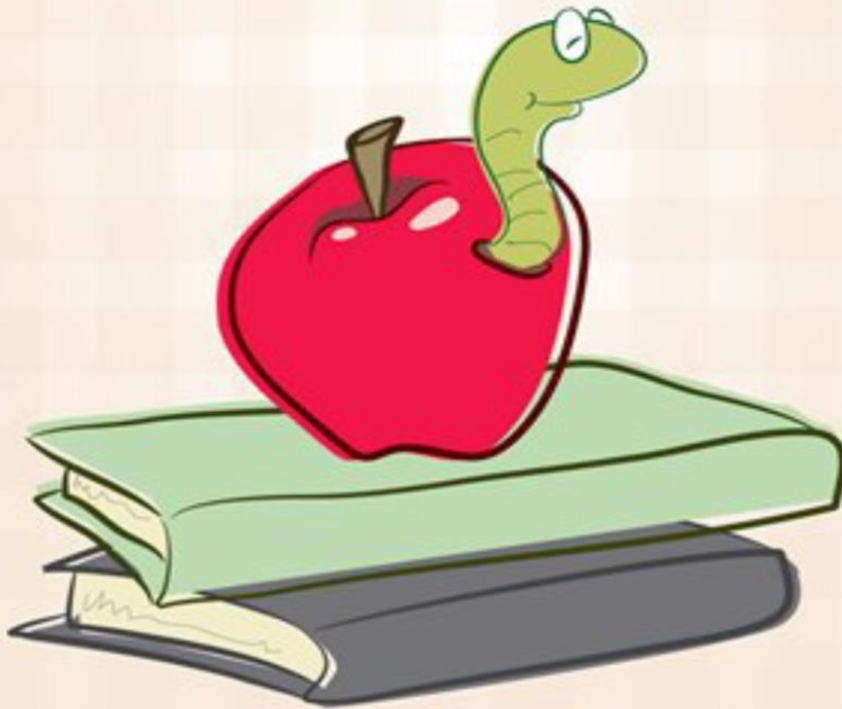


Bella Gyde



# BOOK DONATIONS NEEDED

We need books for all ages  
fiction and non fiction .  
Collection box in the MPR.



## **Book Sale for the Car Show & Gala**

We need donations of books for the sale. All ages fiction and non-fiction. Supporting the book sale is a great way to recycle your books and make room for this year's purchases. Please leave your books in the collection box in the MPR. Any questions please contact Petria 0212170050.

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**LABEL READING**

## INGREDIENTS LIST

Ingredients are listed in order of quantity - most to least.  
Watch out for fat or sugar in the top three ingredients.

**DIFFERENT NAMES FOR:**

**SUGAR**

- glucose
- fructose
- sucrose
- corn syrup
- maltose
- honey
- molasses

**FAT**

- butter
- coconut cream
- cream
- hydrogenated vegetable fat
- lard
- margarine
- oil
- trans fats
- triglycerides



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